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APPLICANTS: Fast et al.  
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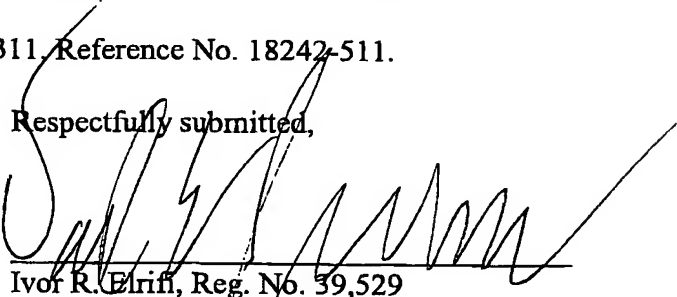
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## RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 24, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

In response to the February 24, 2003 Office Action imposing a restriction requirement in the above-identified application, Applicants elect Group1, which includes claims 1-34. Applicants make this election without prejudice to pursuing non-elected subject matter in a later application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due, or credit any overpayment of same to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 18242-511.

Respectfully submitted,



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